

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please substitute page 7, line 25, to page 8, line 3, as follows:

The slate 10 also includes a portable power supply 28, for supplying portable power to the slate 10, a compartment 30, for containing the portable power supply 26, and a sliding door 32, adapted to cover and enable access into the compartment ~~30~~ 28. The portable power supply 28 comprises a plurality of batteries. The plurality of batteries 28 comprise for example six double-A batteries. A battery pack 34 in the slate 10 contains the plurality of batteries 28 to be installed in the compartment 30. The compartment 30 houses a plurality of control knobs, and the sliding door 32 uncovers the control knobs for access thereto without uncovering the portable power supply 24.

Please substitute page 11, lines 1-8, as follows:

A high side display driver 104 drives the segments on the LED display. Transistors 106, 108, 110, 112, 114, 116, 118 and 120 for example are 2N4403 PNP transistors which source the current to the segments of the LED display. Transistors 122, 124, 126, 128, 130, 132, 134, and 136 are for example 2N7000 N channel DMOS FET transistors, which drive the base of the PNP transistors and protect and buffer the microprocessor 52. The microprocessor 52 determines which segment should be turned on for the current digit data. The input ~~137~~ 438 is the input from a display regulator.